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POTASH & PHOSPHATE INSTITUTE
POTASH REPORT SUMMARY
(Short Tons K_2O)

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	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1984	1983	Change %	1984	1983	Change %	1984	1983	Change %
Beginning Inventory	1,714,684	837,385	+104.6%	382,003	420,745	- 9.2%	2,096,687	1,258,130	+66.7%
(+) Production	667,415	692,551	- 3.6%	99,197	144,377	-31.3%	766,612	836,928	- 8.4%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,700,814	949,646	+79.1%	349,310	434,338	-19.6%	2,050,124	1,383,984	+48.1%
(=) Total Disappearance	681,285	580,290	+17.4%	131,890	130,784	+ 0.8%	813,175	711,074	+14.4%
(-) Exports	176,772	225,038	-21.4%	48,797	41,731	+16.9%	225,569	266,769	-15.4%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	504,513	355,252	+42.0%	83,093	89,053	- 6.7%	587,606	444,305	+32.3%

SIX MONTHS (JULY-DECEMBER) OF THE FERTILIZER YEAR

	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1984-85	1983-84	Change %	1984-85	1983-84	Change %	1984-85	1983-84	Change %
Beginning Inventory	1,825,491	1,646,812	+10.8%	305,561	461,906	-33.8%	2,131,052	2,108,718	+ 1.1%
(+) Production	3,981,919	3,328,152	+19.6%	814,775	738,721	+10.3%	4,796,694	4,066,873	+17.9%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,700,814	949,646	+79.1%	349,310	434,338	-19.6%	2,050,124	1,383,984	+48.1%
(=) Total Disappearance	4,106,596	4,025,318	+ 2.0%	771,026	766,289	+ 0.6%	4,877,622	4,791,607	+ 1.8%
(-) Exports	1,360,872	1,352,298	+ 0.6%	273,020	221,448	+23.3%	1,633,892	1,573,746	+ 3.8%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	2,745,724	2,673,020	+ 2.7%	498,006	544,841	- 8.6%	3,243,730	3,217,861	+ 0.8%

MONTH-END INVENTORIES - CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS
(1000 Short Tons K_2O)

Fertilizer Year	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE
1984-85	2046	1563	1561	1895	2097	2050						
1983-84	2012	1521	1362	1235	1258	1384	1472	1555	1792	1965	1943	2131

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	PRODUCTION K_2O		ENDING INVENTORY K_2O DECEMBER 31				DISAPPEARANCE K_2O	
	1984 DEC	1983	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1984	1983	1984 DEC	1983
Spec. Std. Muriate	12,358	37,279	7,204	11,244	18,448	44,209	20,512	30,927
Standard Muriate	220,960	208,788	275,037	193,229	468,266	355,074	249,462	222,474
Chemical Muriate	7,872	4,979	5,059	631	5,690	2,261	10,702	11,362
Coarse Muriate	236,320	273,159	248,799	475,785	724,584	440,665	215,052	208,564
Granular Muriate	179,379	212,553	280,985	296,806	577,791	273,439	243,083	152,870
Soluble Muriate	86,288	70,260	73,571	87,589	161,160	151,701	48,894	40,157
Sulphates	23,435	29,910	72,295	21,890	94,185	116,635	25,470	44,720
Total	766,612	836,928	962,950	1,087,174	2,050,124	1,383,984	813,175	711,074

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		AG & NON-AG	
	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983
Spec. Std. Muriate	176	-	9,249	8,984	-	-	-	-	9,425	8,984
Standard Muriate	37,300	45,121	144,054	188,855	11,031	15,227	917	533	193,302	249,736
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	6,984	9,626	-	100	6,984	9,726
Coarse Muriate	243,468	211,923	36,119	22,364	-	-	-	-	279,587	234,287
Granular Muriate	226,430	112,277	13,349	31,220	-	-	-	-	239,779	143,497
Soluble Muriate	32,249	17,497	7,406	4,368	14,688	9,740	7,837	3,526	62,180	35,131
Sulphates	22,621	35,774	6,638	6,819	126	269	-	-	29,385	42,862
Total	562,244	422,592	216,815	262,610	32,829	34,862	8,754	4,159	820,642	724,223

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	1984 DEC	1983	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1984	1983	1984 DEC	1983
Spec. Std. Muriate	12,358	37,279	7,204	11,244	18,448	44,209	20,512	30,927
Standard Muriate	190,744	170,606	179,890	188,402	368,292	190,086	200,350	180,096
Chemical Muriate	5,151	6,026	2,255	631	2,886	1,719	8,836	8,307
Coarse Muriate	215,830	254,600	213,953	455,301	669,254	367,176	201,314	201,105
Granular Muriate	160,961	157,582	206,973	278,820	485,793	195,640	205,364	123,246
Soluble Muriate	82,371	66,458	68,552	87,589	156,141	150,816	44,909	36,609
Total	667,415	692,551	678,827	1,021,987	1,700,814	949,646	681,285	580,290

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983
Spec. Std. Muriate	176	-	9,249	8,984	-	-	-	-	9,425	8,984
Standard Muriate	24,990	36,230	122,555	162,328	2,712	7,728	-	-	150,257	206,286
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	5,118	6,571	-	100	5,118	6,671
Coarse Muriate	226,177	202,963	23,490	19,295	-	-	-	-	249,667	222,258
Granular Muriate	215,495	87,320	6,614	26,437	-	-	-	-	222,109	113,757
Soluble Muriate	31,539	16,488	7,027	4,368	11,792	7,199	7,837	3,526	58,195	31,581
Total	498,377	343,001	168,935	221,412	19,622	21,498	7,837	3,626	694,711	589,537

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	PRODUCTION K_2O		ENDING INVENTORY K_2O DECEMBER 31				DISAPPEARANCE K_2O	
	1984 DEC	1983	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1984	1983	1984 DEC	1983
Standard Muriate	30,216	38,182	95,147	4,827	99,974	164,988	49,112	42,378
Chemical Muriate	2,721	(1,047)	2,804	-	2,804	542	1,866	3,055
Coarse Muriate	20,490	18,559	34,846	20,484	55,330	73,489	13,738	7,459
Granular Muriate	18,418	54,971	74,012	17,986	91,998	77,799	37,719	29,624
Soluble Muriate	3,917	3,802	5,019	-	5,019	885	3,985	3,548
Sulphates	23,435	29,910	72,295	21,890	94,185	116,635	25,470	44,720
Total	99,197	144,377	284,123	65,187	349,310	434,338	131,890	130,784

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983	1984 DEC	1983
Standard Muriate	12,310	8,891	21,499	26,527	8,319	7,499	917	533	43,045	43,450
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	1,866	3,055	-	-	1,866	3,055
Coarse Muriate	17,291	8,960	12,629	3,069	-	-	-	-	29,920	12,029
Granular Muriate	10,935	24,957	6,735	4,783	-	-	-	-	17,670	29,740
Soluble Muriate	710	1,009	379	-	2,896	2,541	-	-	3,985	3,550
Sulphates	22,621	35,774	6,638	6,819	126	269	-	-	29,385	42,862
Total	63,867	79,591	47,880	41,198	13,207	13,364	917	533	125,871	134,686